in the drought areas of Rajasthan. According to the report submitted by the Central Water Commission on the basis of studies carried out by them, sufficient water is not available in Ganga at Raiwala ad Narora for more than 20—30 days in a year for diversion to Rajasthan at economically acceptable costs. The comments of Rajasthan received on this report have been considered by Central Water Commission and replies sent to Ganga Flood Control Commission. Recently, it has been decided that Chairman, Central Water Commission would discuss the issue further in a technical officers meeting.

Separately, National Water Development agency has under the National perspective of Water Resources Development recently taken up a more broad based study of the Himalayan Rivers Development component which enter alia evisages diversion of surplus water from Ganga and its eastern tributaries to the water short areas of Rajasthan also. Their report is expected to be available by the end of the 8th Plan.

On-going Projects on Tamin the Rivers

667. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) what are the state-wise ongoing projects to tame the rivers of the country causing floods;

(b) by when each of the project is expected to be completed and which states are to benefited from each of the Projects; and

(c) what are the difficulties being faced by Government in completing the projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATEN RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) A total number of 92 major schemes were ongoing in the States of flood prone rivers for managing flood, drainage congestion and bank erosion problems. The total spill over cost of the schemes in the 8th five year plan was Rs. 946 crores.

(b) and (c) The time of completion will depend upon the availability of funds. The most beneficial states will be (i) West Bengal (ii) Bihar (iii) Andhra Pradesh and (iv) Punjab having provisions of Rs. 280 crores, Rs. 251.7 crores, Rs. 143.5 crores and Rs. 125 crores respectively in the VIII plan. The major constraint in completion of flood management schemes continues to be paucity of resources.

Sharing to Yamuna Water among States

668. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: DR. SANJAYA SINH:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether an agreement over sharing of the Yamuna waters has since been arrived at and signed by the four Northern States of Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Rajasthan and Himachal Pradesh and the Union Territory of Delhi; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a and (b) A draft Memorandum of Understanding allocating the utilisable surface flows of Yamuna has been signed by States of Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Himachal Prdesh and Union Territory of Delhi. Rajasthan is yet to sign the draft MOU.